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New National Environmental Performance Track Members

Five new facilities in the Southeast are among the 42 new members nationwide that have set goals that exceed environmental requirements as part of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Environmental Performance Track Program (NEPT). In Kentucky, Maker's Mark Distillery is among the newest members. Please visit the EPA's NEPT site for a listing of all Kentucky facilities.

2008 Report on the Environment

The <u>EPA</u> has released the "2008 Report on the Environment: Highlights of National Trends" (2008 ROE HD), which provides important information to better understanding trends in our nation's health and environment. For more information, please visit the ROE Web site.

Converting Contaminated Sites into Renewable Energy

The EPA is encouraging the development of renewable energy by identifying currently and formerly contaminated lands and mining sites that present opportunities for renewable energy development. Information about renewable energy development potential on contaminated lands can be found at EPA's Renewable Energy on Contaminated Land and Mining Site Web page.

2008 EPA Clean Diesel Funding

The EPA will begin disbursing \$14.8 million for State Clean Diesel programs. All 50 states will receive funds,

DCA Programs



Are you doing great things for the environment? Do you participate in voluntary environmental events? Does your workplace go above and beyond regulatory requirements? If you answered yes, then KY EXCEL is a program for you. KY EXCEL is a voluntary environmental leadership program where you can meet and interact with Kentucky's environmental leaders.



The Operator Certification Program trains and certifies wastewater and drinking water system operators to ensure that these environmental professionals are qualified and prepared to properly treat and protect Kentucky's water resources.



The Kentucky Brownfield Program Recycling the Commonwealth

The <u>Brownfields Program</u> helps communities and property owners identify meaningful solutions that encourage the cleanup and redevelopment of underused, contaminated properties.

and 35 states will put matching resources toward the program. Later this fall, \$27.6 million in grants will be distributed by the EPA's 10 regional offices. Finally, grant awards for emerging technologies totaling approximately \$3.4 million will be announced this winter. For more information, please visit the National Clean Diesel Campaign Web site.



Environmental laws can often be confusing and challenging. The Environmental
Compliance Assistance Program
helps regulated entities understand and comply with environmental obligations, advocates for entities underrepresented in the regulatory process and facilitates moving "beyond" compliance to environmental leadership.

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